

WHITHAVEN RIPARIAN SANITARY AUTHORITY

ANNUAL REPORT - 1970

SECTION 1 - Staff

TABLE A

Name of Officer	Nature of Appointment	Date of Appointment	Qualifications	Any other Appointments held
Dr. H.H. Marks	Medical Officer of Health	1. 8.1970	B.A., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H.	M.O.H. Millom R.D. M.O.H. Ennerdale R.D. & Area Medical Officer, Cumberland County Council.
Mr. A.A. Beldon	Chief Public Health Insp.	1951	C.R.S.I.	-
Address and telephone number of the Medical Officer of Health)		Southern Area Health Office, Flatt Walks, Whitehaven		Telephone No: Whitehaven 3821

SECTION II - Amount of shipping entering the district during the year

TABLE B

Ships from	Number	Tonnage	Number inspected		Number of ships reported as having, or having had during the voyage, infectious disease on board
			By M.O.H.	By San.Insp.	
Foreign Ports	154	161,670	None	31	None
Coastwise	170	88,469	None	15	
TOTAL	324	250,139		46	

SECTION III - Character of shipping and trade during the year

TABLE C

Passenger Traffic	{	Number of passengers INWARDS	3	
	{	Number of passengers OUTWARDS	0	
Cargo Traffic	{	Principal IMPORTS	Calcium Phosphate	Sulphuric Acid
	{	Principal EXPORTS	Detergents	Coal
Principal Ports from which ships arrive:		Casablanca	Rotterdam	

SECTION IV - Inland barge traffic

None

SECTION V - Water supply

- (1) Source of supply for (a) the district, and (b) shipping
 - (2) Reports of tests for contamination
 - (3) Precautions taken against contamination of hydrants and hosepipes
 - (4) Number and sanitary condition of water boats, and powers of control by the Authority.
1. The entire supply for the district and shipping is drawn from Ennerdale Lake
 2. The supply is subjected to regular examination and is satisfactory
 3. The hydrants and standpipes are suitably maintained
 4. There are no water boats in use, all fresh water supplies being drawn from the mains

SECTION VI - Public Health (Ships) Regulations 1952

(1) List of Infected Areas (Regulation 6)

Information as to infected areas is supplied by the Public Health Office

(2) Radio Messages

Whitehaven is not a radio receiving post

- (3) Notifications otherwise than by radio (Regulation 14 (1) (b)).
Arrangements for receiving notifications otherwise than by radio and for acting thereon

Procedure would be for pilot to notify the Customs Officer as soon as he boards the vessel, who in turn would notify the M.O.H. by telephone.

- (4) Mooring stations (Regulations 22 to 30)
Situation of stations, and any standing directions issued under these Regulations.
- (a) Infectious diseases, other than smallpox, would be dealt with under the ordinary arrangements for these diseases
 - (b) Surveillance of contacts would follow the line laid down in the Regulations
 - (c) Cleansing and disinfection would be carried out under the supervision of the Sanitary Authority

SECTION VII - Smallpox

- (1) Name of Isolation Hospital to which smallpox cases are sent from the district.

Arrangements for the treatment of this disease are in the hands of the Special Area Committee for Cumberland and North Westmorland and for the Newcastle Hospital Regional Board. The first person to be contacted for every suspected case is the M.O.H.

SECTION VIII - Venereal Disease

Placards are displayed showing local treatment centres, times, etc., and the PORT OFFICIALS have copies.

SECTION IX - Cases of notifiable and other infectious diseases on ships

TABLE D

Category	Disease	Number of cases during the year		Number of ships concerned
		Passengers	Crew	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports				
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival		NIL		
Cases landed from other ships				

SECTION X - Observations on the occurrence of malaria in ships

NIL

SECTION XI - Measures taken against ships infected with or suspected for plague

None have been necessary

SECTION XII - Measures against rodents in ships from foreign ports

- (1) Procedure for inspection of ships for rats.

Investigations are made as to the prevalence of rats.
No special measures have been necessary.
No facilities exist for action in deratting of vessels
and all work in this connection is carried out at Workington,
Whitehaven being a Riparian Authority

SECTION XIII - Inspection of ships for nuisances

TABLE G

Inspections and Notices - Nil

SECTION XIV - Public Health (shell-fish) Regulations 1934 and 1948

Information respecting any shell-fish beds or layings within the jurisdiction of the Authority stating whether they are, in the opinion of the Medical Officer of Health, liable to pollution. A report of any action taken, which should state whether any prohibited area has been prescribed, should be included.

There are no shellfish beds or layings within the district.

SECTION XV - Medical Inspection of Aliens (applicable only to ports approved for the landing of aliens)

NOT APPLICABLE

SECTION XVI - Miscellaneous

Arrangements for the burial on shore of persons who have died on board ship from infectious disease.

Should the necessity arise the body of a person dying on board ship of an infectious disease would be removed to the public mortuary and buried from there.

Wm. Wark
Medical Officer of Health

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